



## INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT

2011-01-0008

March 27, 2012

### FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANCE

*Inspector General Staff Attorney Kristi Shute, after assistance by Special Agent Darrell Boehmer, reports as follows:*

This report addresses the assistance given by the Office of the Inspector General (“OIG”) to an investigation by the Family and Social Services Administration (“FSSA”). Similar to other law enforcement agencies, the OIG assists agencies upon request.

The OIG is a statutory law enforcement agency. IC 35-41-1-17. It is charged by the Indiana Legislature to assist, coordinate and supervise state investigations. IC 4-2-7-3(1).

On January 14, 2011, a FSSA Investigation Supervisor requested the OIG’s assistance in obtaining criminal records and filing the case with the Lake County Prosecutor’s Office.

The case involved a person who falsified Food Stamp and Medicaid applications to receive benefits she was not entitled to receive. After an

extensive, detailed and thorough investigation by the FSSA, the person in question was arrested for Welfare Fraud as a Class C Felony.

Since assistance has been provided, no additional support has been requested, and this investigation resulted in criminal charges being filed, this case is closed.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012.

APPROVED BY ME:

/s/ David O. Thomas, Inspector General